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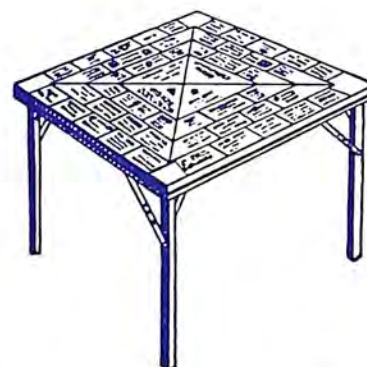
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Convention Meets for 163rd Time

Far-Reaching Decisions Made with Little Debate

Potential change in the administration of the Diocese that exceeds any voted for many years was provided for in this Convention. It might almost have been called a "convention on administration."

Proportionate Representation

Before the first hour ended, delegates were being urged to accept a proposal which, in one form or another, has been presented repeatedly over the past twenty-five years or so. It was a plan whereby the larger parishes of the Diocese would be granted an increased number of lay delegates above the three to which all self-supporting parishes are now entitled. Discussion was brief and revealed that the plan did not commend itself even to the majority of larger parishes which might be supposed to benefit from it. The plan was therefore rejected and the committee dismissed from further consideration of the matter.

New Department Heads

The next major item of concern came up at the beginning of the second day. Two years ago Convention authorized the Bishop to appoint a committee to review completely the administrative arrangements of the Diocese and report comprehensively on what was needed to achieve maximum efficiency and unification of effort. The committee functioned during the past year under the chairmanship of Mr. F. J. Chesterman and brought in a plan for the setting up of what some described as an "administrative cabinet" to supervise and coordinate various de-



Convention Time at Holy Trinity

partments now at work on an almost completely volunteer basis.

The plan looks toward the concentration of work under four main heads or departments: (1) Missions; (2) Social Service and Institutions; (3) Religious Education, and (4) Property, Finance, and Promotion. Eventually a full-time supervisor is to be employed for each of these departments. These supervisors would form an "Executive Committee" or "Bishop's Cabinet" to translate overall policies into the minute details of administration necessary to carry out the larger plans.

All this comes by way of an addition to such machinery of adminis-

tration as already exists. No change is contemplated in the office or duties of the Secretary of the Diocese, the Deans of Convocation, or the Executive Council. In fact, the plan calls for an additional ten members on the Executive Council as the means of attracting "a larger number of able men" into an advisory capacity.

The committee expressed its firm conviction that this arrangement would not involve a great deal of expense if competent administrators, retired from business because of age but not inabilities, could be secured. They were sure that is possible and desirable.

The plan was discussed briefly and adopted.

A Social Work Director

The new program which stirred up the greatest discussion was that sponsored by Bishop Remington and the Department of Christian Social Relations. The outstanding feature of their proposal is one that had been before Convention in each of the last two years and not approved. It calls for the employment of an Executive Secretary for the Department and a departmental budget originally expected to reach \$10,000. This specific sum was deleted from the final report of the committee for reasons not explained.

The idea of the committee is that such a "social service director" can be of immense value in coordinating the activities of the twenty-five social agencies that operate within the Diocese even though only six are in any way controlled by or answerable to Convention. Formulation of a pro-

gram of education to inform all the people of the Diocese on matters of social and community welfare would complete the task assigned at the moment.

Misgivings expressed in debate on the subject were of two main sorts: that we are increasing the assessments on the parishes again despite a point of high resistance which has already been reached; and that we are piling up administrative personnel unadvisedly. Debate was not extensive considering the important nature of the subject and the fact that a standing vote had to be taken to show that approval was given by the narrow margin of 220 to 214.

Future of Episcopal Hospital

A third item of major concern merely involved hearing a report on the Episcopal Hospital. There was no action called for or taken. Many interesting facts were brought out by Mr. Eldridge in making his report. The hospital has been serving the community for ninety-six years and in that time has grown to be the fifth largest in the whole Philadelphia area. Its operating costs are now \$1¼ million a year, nearly two and a half times what they were a few years ago. Of this total cost, the Thanksgiving Offerings from churches in the Diocese take care of about 2½%.

Several momentous decisions must be made in the immediate future. One relates to the problem of rebuilding. Much of the space still being occupied dates back to the period of the Civil War. A building program was outlined that in 1940 would have cost \$2¼ million; today it would require \$5 million to meet the same needs. Then there is the added question of whether the needs of the city could be served best by rebuilding on the present site. Expert advice on the whole matter of hospital locations for the city questions it.

Again there is the serious factor of an operating deficit of \$120,000 yearly to be considered. Shall the Church relinquish her control of the work and let State funds come in to take up the slack? Can the Diocese absorb the deficit even if it wants to? Would it be better to let the whole program shrink up to a size that current revenues will support?

These are some of the grave problems facing the board. They were presented to Convention for its information, not its action. But Mr.

Eldridge ended his report on a note of determined confidence to the effect that there will always be an Episcopal Hospital. Its size and "shape" may change with the years, but it will go on nonetheless.

Two New Parishes

Two items appeared toward the end of the session that took up little time or deliberation but are the essence of true growth and hope for the future. The Church of the Redeemer, Springfield, and St. James', Langhorne, were received into union with the Convention and authorized

to apply to the proper authorities for charters as independent parishes.

Dean Shreiner mentioned briefly in reporting on the work of the Church Farm School that they are now completing thirty years of service to youth in this area partly because they have received deeply appreciated support from the Diocese during those years. They plan next year to be completely self-supporting and to be able to expand their enrollment by fifty students.

Call for a Youth Director

The Department of Christian Education entered the field of "anticipatory administration" by pointing out that the growing work and needs for service among the young people of the Diocese might make it necessary in the immediate future to employ the services of a full-time youth worker or director. They requested, therefore, that Convention go on record as recognizing the need for expansion of the whole youth program in the Diocese. This was done.

There is little that can be said in summarizing the action of Convention in its various forms except that a genuine desire prevailed to see the Church's efforts made more efficient and effective in every field where we operate. Serving the community was the note struck time and again from the Bishop's Annual Address the first night to the closing moments on the second day. There was never a question of "if" but only of "how" it might be done.

MAYOR MEETS WITH MEN

The first annual dinner of the S. Lewis White Men's Club recently was held in the parish house of Christ Church and St. Michael's, Germantown. Guests of honor were Bishop Remington, Mayor Samuel, and Judge Winnet, chairman of the Crime Prevention Association of Philadelphia.

The Men's Fraternity of the Prince of Peace Chapel has been revived under the leadership of the new Vicar, The Rev. J. Aubrey Cragg.

The following officers have been elected for the newly organized Men's Club of Trinity Church, Coatesville: President, William Henderson; Vice President, George Walters; Secretary, Earl Isaacs, Jr.; Treasurer, Clyde Pierce.

Elections

At the Annual Convention of the Diocese of Pennsylvania held in the Church of the Holy Trinity the following elections took place:

Standing Committee

Rev. Chauncey E. Snowden, D.D.
Mr. Samuel F. Houston

Deputies to Provincial Synod

Rev. James M. Collins, D.D.
Rev. Franklin Joiner, D.D.
Rev. Charles H. Long
Rev. Stanley V. Wilcox
Mr. Edward B. Clay
Mr. William B. Read
Mr. Jasper W. Nicolls
Mr. George T. Davis

Members of Executive Council

Rev. J. Gillespie Armstrong, Jr.
Rev. John H. A. Bomberger, D.D.
Rev. Charles E. Tuke, D.D.
Rev. Stanley R. West, D.D.
Mr. Edward B. Clay
Mr. E. Osborne Coates
Mr. Percival H. Granger
Mr. Ronald J. McCarthy
Mr. R. Marshall Truitt
Mr. Christopher Wyld

Triers

Rev. Thomas A. Meryweather
Rev. Ralph E. Coonrad

Canons of the Cathedral

Rev. E. Frank Salmon, D.D.
Rev. C. E. Snowden, D.D.
Mr. Frederick B. Stimson
Mr. Reed A. Morgan

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Rev. Franklin Joiner, D.D.
Rev. E. Felix Kloman, D.D.
Mr. George M. Dallas

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Mr. E. C. Bendere
Mr. E. Osborne Coates
Mr. Francis L. Van Dusen

CHARLES H. LONG,
Secretary of Convention

Bishop Hart's Annual Address

Evangelism through Confirmation

The subject of evangelism is not a new one; but it is one on which we need clearer thinking and definite action. A number of our communicants do not do anything to bring people to Baptism or Confirmation because they do not believe that it is necessary to serve Our Lord in the fellowship of the Church. Something far more fundamental is involved than wanting the Episcopal Church to become larger. What is involved is our conception of what constitutes being a Christian. Can we have vital Christianity without a dynamic and vital Church? If the Christian fellowship is an extra, then obviously the thing to do is to leave the confirmation class to the rector. But if you believe that a vital and creative Christian fellowship is a necessity, then every Churchman should be enthusiastically involved throughout the year in securing confirmation candidates. I may not be as sensitive as I should be; but as I go about the diocese for confirmation, I do not always get the impression that the members of the congregation have eagerly come together in order to present unto God the fruits of their labors. I repeat that many of our vestrymen and other laymen are not active in securing confirmation candidates because they do not believe that the Church is necessary. They are content with the feeling that what the world needs is more Christianity—whatever that means.

Missionary Giving

The record of the parishes and missions for 1946 in regard to the Proportionate Share for missions is a very inspiring one. The parishes and missions accepted a Proportionate Share of \$309,545 and paid on these expected Proportionate Shares \$330,573.10. I cannot say too much for the hard work of the clergy and the vestries which is represented by this magnificent record.

Stipends Increased

I am sure that the entire diocese approves the action of the Executive Council in making a special grant of \$200 to all the missionaries in the diocese and requesting the Missions to give \$100. The same policy was followed by the Commission on Rectors' Salaries and Pensions in regard to Aided Parishes. In view of

the high cost of living, the minimum salaries are still low.

The Cathedral

The Cathedral Chapter is happy to announce that our property there, about forty acres, is free of debt. The sale of the Parish House of Holy Trinity Church will make it necessary for us to make other arrangements for our Diocesan Convention. It might be well for this Convention to appoint a committee of laymen to consider with the Cathedral Chapter, and report to the 1948 Convention, the desirability of erecting a Synod House on the Cathedral property.

I venture to suggest that it would be of great assistance to the diocese if we could build two or three small houses for the clergy who could be on the Cathedral staff. As you know, the clergy pensions are not adequate on the 1947 price level. It would help very much if we had such a home to offer a retired clergyman. He could take services at the Cathedral and elsewhere throughout the diocese at the Bishop's request. I wish that some of our laity who could afford to do so would seriously consider building such a cottage as a memorial. I feel that we should first develop the Cathedral property along the lines of immediate usefulness to the diocese rather than think of raising the thousands of dollars which will be needed to complete the Cathedral structure.

Marriage Laws of Our Church

"Marriage is the Holy Estate instituted of God and is in intention lifelong." We must not only instruct the people in the Christian doctrine and discipline of marriage; but we must urge them to utilize the divinely appointed aids to Christian family life. When families participate as a unit in worship and work, the danger of divorce is reduced to a minimum. The family pew would go a long way towards arresting the disintegration of the family.

A marriage is not made a Christian marriage merely if the marriage service in the Book of Common Prayer is used. A self-centered man and a self-centered woman will continue to seek selfish ends even in marriage. I repeat that the most important thing is not how the Bishops administer the new marriage canons; but how sincerely and de-

votedly all of us, clergy and laity alike, use the Word and the Sacraments which are the nurture and strength, not only of marriage; but of all Christian living.

Effect of Shifting Population on Work of Church

The Department of Missions has requested me, in my Annual Address, to make special reference to the serious situation arising from a constantly shifting population. I want to commend the vestries who have shown a willingness to think in terms of the greatest good to the greatest number. The Board of Strategy can only advise. The decision must rest with the congregation. Certainly a vestry should hesitate to spend capital funds without, at least, consulting the diocese. In some instances these funds are undesignated funds and the vestry, therefore, has the legal right to dissipate them. But often these funds represent gifts of several generations and should not be spent by the present generation without good cause.

Every parish should carefully evaluate its work and either plan for vigorous continuance of the work at the present location or move to another part of the diocese where a constructive work can be done. This evaluation is most valuable when it represents the effort of the entire congregation under the leadership of the vestry, rather than sole effort of the rector. No vestry should allow the future of their parish to depend on any one man. I have observed that the parishes which are doing the most effective work are those where the rector and the vestry are alert to serve the community and to try to affect profoundly every life received into the fellowship of their parish.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The excerpts printed herewith give some details stressed by Bishop Hart. The full address will appear in the Journal of Convention.

PORTIONS OF BISHOP REMINGTON'S ADDRESS

The complex and often tenuous relationships which exist in such a large Diocese as Pennsylvania between Diocesan authorities and their various social agencies and institutions has been a field for study assigned to me for especial attention during the past year.

Convention did well to provide for a survey by competent authorities of all our agencies and institutions and their relation to the Diocese and also to the over-all responsibilities of our Department of Christian Social Relations to the end that a well integrated and adequate program might be projected for the future. This study has been made by the Survey Staff of the National Council Department and is now before you in printed form. The report of the Joint Committee charged with the review of this study and the making of recommendations is also in your hands.

Our serious consideration is required because these relationships have needed clarification for many years. Our duty is imperative in these times. No sum of money is too great for the Church to expend if we can develop a constructive program which will enlist us in a finer endeavor to serve human needs and to awaken the Diocese and its parishes to face courageously the application of Christian principles to the life of our community, nation, and world. It is my conviction that the employment of a capable, professionally-trained Executive is needed to carry out the recommendations of the report. He should deal primarily with the problem of Social Education and not with the administration of long established and well managed agencies and institutions. The latter should and will welcome, however, consultation to the end that a better integrated program may be developed for mutual benefits.

Two courses are open to us in this Convention. First, to face courageously an imperative need which calls for added appropriations. Such a course in the end will pay for itself in the increased interest on the part of both old and new Church members who wish the Church to reassert its leadership in affairs which they recognize as vital and must be considered if Christ is to be made Lord of all life. The thoughtful among our returned veterans are waiting hopefully for just such leadership before they return to the pews.

The second course will be one of delay and compromise. We may continue our studies with volunteer workers who have neither the time nor the training to deal with questions requiring professionally competent persons. We may save money but will only postpone consideration of pressing problems and lose many

opportunities to serve the Kingdom of God now.

Time goes marching on and the door may close before we heed what the Spirit says to the Church in Philadelphia.

NEW CHURCH OPENED

On Palm Sunday, March 30th, just one year after ground was broken, Bishop Hart held the first service in St. Peter's Church, Broomall, assisted by Dean Shreiner, Rev. Charles H. Long, Rev. Frederick Hornby, Vicar; Rev. Charles E. Tuke, Chairman of the Department of Mission, and Mr. Freas B. Snyder, Secretary of the Convocation of Chester. Music was led by the student choir of the Church Farm School.



St. Peter's Mission was opened at Manoa in 1940, and after a few years the present site was selected at Sterner Avenue and West Chester Pike. The building was erected at a cost of \$37,500, most of this sum having been given by the men of the Convocation of Chester. It is constructed of stone along Gothic lines. Adequate Sunday School and guild facilities are provided in the basement.

Although most of the furnishings in the Church were assembled from other places of worship, everything is harmonized and dignified. Much hard work has been done by the local people in arranging the furnishings. Altar, pulpit, and pews came from St. John's Church, Keltion. Lectern and Altar Rail from St. Mary's Church, Broad and South Streets, Philadelphia. The organ was loaned by the Church Farm School.

PRIESTS' INSTITUTES

Dates have been set for two Priests' Institutes, sponsored by the American Church Union to promote the study of pertinent questions before the Church and to combine this study with meditations and an ample opportunity for relaxation and fellowship. At Kent School,

Kent, Conn., from June 23rd through June 27th. Dom Gregory Dix, O.S.B., of Nashdom Abbey, England, will lecture on "Baptism and Confirmation." The Rev. Felix L. Cirlot, Th.D., will lecture on "What are Bishops and Why Have Them." For further information address the Rev. Albert J. duBois, 44 Que Street, N.W., Washington 1, D. C. From September 22nd through September 26th an institute will be conducted at DeKoven Foundation, Racine, Wisconsin. Inquiries should be sent to the Rev. Canon William Elwell, 630 Ontario Avenue, Sheboygan, Wis.

HOSPITAL MAY FETE

The grounds of the Episcopal Hospital will be gay on Wednesday, May 28th, from 11 A. M. until 9 P. M.

The May Fete Committee invites each and every member of the Diocese to join with them in making the day a success.

The program includes: luncheon, a snack bar, afternoon tea, music, tours through the Hospital and supper. Do bring the entire family.

The following booths will appreciate donations of articles to be sold and checks which are always warmly welcomed: Babies' and Children's, Books, Cakes and Candy, Farm Produce, Flowers and Plants, Gadgets and Gifts, Household Wares, Occupational Therapy, White Elephants.

Make checks payable to Treasurer, Mrs. U. S. Grant Beath, 138 Rolling Road, Cynwyd, Pa. Articles may be marked for May Fete and left at Church House. For further information write to Mrs. J. Hector McNeal, Bryn Mawr, Pa.

NEW HOUSE OF REST PROJECT

A small group of the members of the "House of Rest for the Aged" are starting a new venture. Four or five of the ladies are busily engaged in making seasonal greeting cards, place cards and tallies. For Valentine's Day one of them wrote 125 nursery rhymes in her beautiful Spencerian hand on gay red cards. From the proceeds they hope to paint and paper one or more bedrooms at a cost of \$50 each. You see the "House of Rest" is not a home, it is *their* home. The handicraft of this group of the "Busy Bees" will be on sale at the annual Benefit Card Party to be held at the Germantown Cricket Club (at Manheim and McKean Sts.) on Wednesday, May 21st.

Woman's Auxiliary

MRS. OLIVER J. HART, Editor

Summer Recreation

As you make plans for the summer, are you seeking a week or two of true recreation with stimulating ideas, new friends and fresh inspiration in pleasant surroundings at minimum rates? That is a tall order, but you can find all of that and more at a Church Summer Conference. Those who have attended hardly need to be reminded of the refreshment and practical help to be found there. To quote one woman, "The Conference gave me a lift that carried me through the year. I never had a better vacation." A Church Conference also offers marvelous training for those who carry responsibility for Church jobs. Are you a Woman's Auxiliary officer who wishes she knew a bit more? Do you know an able young woman who needs to be exposed to Church teaching? You say it is hard to get away from home? Of course it takes planning, but it is well worth the effort.

Our Diocesan Conference at Beaver College, Jenkintown, June 28th-July 3rd, is for young people only between the ages of 15-25 years.

The Shrine Mont Conference at Orkney Springs, Va., June 16th-20th, is a Woman's Auxiliary Conference.

The Provincial Conference at Sweet Briar, Va., June 16th-27th, is a general Church Conference for the clergy, vestrymen, Woman's Auxiliary members, youth leaders, Church School teachers and all types of Church workers.

Be sure to obtain copies of the programs of these Conferences at the Church House. Without delay select the most suitable candidates in your parish. They may need some scholarship help, but as one rector put it, "It was a wonderful investment. The three who went brought new life to our parish." If each parish and mission in the Diocese sent two or three leaders off to a conference they would bring back enough inspiration to set the Diocese on fire. Let us do it, beginning each in her own parish! Miss Newman in Room 30 and Mrs. Maderia in the Woman's Auxiliary office are ready to give you further information. Members of the Summer Conference Committee will be glad to talk with you.

Attendance at a Church Confer-

ence is one way out of a rut. And it is great fun too.

Missionary Institute

The Interdenominational Missionary Institute will be of especial interest this year, so mark your calendar now for Monday (1:45 P.M.), Tuesday and Wednesday, September 22nd and 24th.

The change of day was decided upon so that we could obtain leaders of national prominence; the place will again be the First Baptist Church, 17th and Sansom Streets.

There is only one mission study topic for 1947-48, "World Evangelism." We are extremely fortunate that the leader of this course will be Dr. Leslie C. Sayre, Secretary and Editor of the Adult Division of the Missionary Education Movement of the U. S. and Canada.

Attention Rural Auxiliaries!

The Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary is planning a new service with special emphasis on the needs of Auxiliaries in Rural and Out-lying Communities. Now is the time to check up on the efficiency of your group.

Is your Auxiliary rolling along on the road to "the City that should be" on the four good wheels necessary for progress? They are—

1. Personal contact with all the women of your parish.
2. A time and place of meeting suitable for the greatest number of women of your Church.
3. A planned program and a sustained work.
4. A regular contact with the Church House activities.

If any one of these wheels has broken down or lost its buoyancy, your whole Auxiliary will find it difficult to accomplish much that is constructive. Numbers are not the important factor in any Auxiliary. Some very small groups are alive and vital.

When you have diagnosed your needs, appeal to the Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary for their new A.R.A. (Aid to Rural Auxiliaries) Service, and secure the help which experienced and interested women will be glad to give. To revitalize any Auxiliary, there must be some one with vision willing to put effort

and leadership into the task, and to give direction to the program. Even with the best of "wheels" no Auxiliary will move forward without the personal planning of its own members for its own peculiar situation. The vehicle may be ready, but it will not move until someone, with a firm grasp on the wheel to guide it, applies the necessary spark that sets it in motion. Rural Auxiliaries can be as active, can have as great a vision and as broad a field of interests as those with larger memberships and nearer to the center of the Diocese.

The Department of Promotion stands ready to assist you. Now is your opportunity to help your Auxiliary do its share in building the kingdom in your community.

A Church Vocation

Bishop Hart was host to one hundred and twenty-five young women from seventy-two parishes in the Diocese on Saturday afternoon, April 26th, at the Church House. The purpose of the occasion was to acquaint young women with the Church's great need for workers and to reveal the wide vocational opportunities which exist.

The afternoon began with prayers and meditation conducted by Rev. William Hugh Fryer, Rector of Trinity Church, Coatesville. Addressing the guests were the Rt. Rev. Oliver J. Hart, the Rt. Rev. William P. Remington, the Rev. J. Clemens Kolb, Chaplain of the University of Pennsylvania, and Mrs. George C. Bland, Chairman of the Personnel Committee of the Woman's Auxiliary. During tea, which followed, the guests had opportunity to talk informally with a representative group of the Church's professional workers and other leaders.

Mrs. Oliver J. Hart and Mrs. William P. Remington served as hostesses.

The New Officers

The Nominating Committee has submitted the following slate to be elected to the respective offices at the annual meeting on May 26th: President, Mrs. U. Grant Beath; Vice-President in charge of Prayer and Worship, Mrs. Welsh Strawbridge; Vice-President in charge of Promotion, Mrs. Oliver J. Hart; United Thank Offering Treasurer, Mrs. Marmaduke Tilden; Chairman Nominating Committee for 1948, Mrs. Henry J. Gideon.



Conference Group at Beaver College—July 1946

Department of Christian Education

At Bishop Hart's invitation, the Clergy of the Diocese on June 17th will meet at All Saints' Episcopal School, Pen Ryn, Andalusia, for their spring conference. The Bishop will open the conference at 10:30 A. M. The Rev. Ralph W. Auten, rector of St. John's Church, Donora, and chairman of the Youth Commission of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, will conduct the morning sessions, and the afternoon session will be conducted by Bishop Hart.

Youth Program

Have you seen the Youth Program and Calendar recently gotten out by the Diocesan Youth Council? If you do not have one, ask your rector for his—or call Miss Newman at the Church House—SPruce 4-6650.

Provincial Youth Meeting

The Provincial Youth Commission Meeting was held at "Roslyn," the Diocese of Virginia Conference Center, outside Richmond, on April 11th, 12th and 13th. Miss Louise Richter, secretary of the Youth Council, and the Rev. Philemon F. Sturges, adviser to the Youth Council, were our representatives. They will make their reports at the Diocesan Youth Convention.

Youth Weekend at New Windsor, Md.

On April 18th and 19th, several cars filled with eager young people, left this diocese headed for New Windsor, Md., to spend a weekend working, and learning about the great piece of work that is being done there at the Church World Service Distribution Center. Thirty young people had been invited for this initial visit—and the Youth Council, almost to a man, asked if they could go. From the knowledge, experience and inspiration which these young people received during this weekend—and the missionary

work they are doing by sharing their experiences with all the youth of the diocese—it is hoped that monthly weekend pilgrimages will be made to New Windsor—and some week-long visits will be planned during the summer months.

Working and giving for the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Wide Relief is the major service project for the Youth of the Church for the next several months.

The Diocesan Youth Convention

On June 7th, several hundred young people representing the parishes and missions of our diocese, will gather at Episcopal Academy for their annual convention. The program planned by the Youth Council is all-inclusive—worship, inspiration, study, work, fun and supper. Speaker and leaders will be: Bishop Hart, Bishop Remington, the Rev. Messrs. John Vander Horst, chairman of the Youth Commission; W. Paul Thompson, Provincial Youth Adviser, and Frederick Murray, of the Youth Commission. Bill Brack, chairman of the Youth Coun-

cil, will conduct the joint sessions. Plan now to have your parish represented.

Summer Conferences

Diocesan Summer Conference for Young People (15-25 years)
Time—June 28th-July 3rd
At—Beaver College, Jenkintown
Cost—\$19.00

Valley Forge Conference for Young People (15-26 years)
Time—June 22nd-28th
At—Valley Forge Military Academy
Cost—\$19.00

Advance Conference of the Province of Washington
Time—June 16th-27th
At—Sweet Briar College, Sweet Briar, Virginia
Cost—Approx. \$45.00

St. Paul's Summer School of Christian Education of the Third Province for Colored Church Workers
Time—July 27th-August 3rd
At—Lawrenceville, Virginia
Cost—\$10.00

Woman's Auxiliary Conference—Province of Washington
Time—June 16th-20th
At—Shrine Mont, Orkney Springs, Virginia
Cost—\$13.00

Busy Calendar for Girls' Friendly

Sabine Farm, the beautiful home of Mrs. Winthrop C. Neilson at Gladwynne, Pa., will be the objective of all G. F. S. folk on Saturday, May 24th, from 2 until 8 P. M., when a Garden Party and Picnic will be held there for the benefit of the diocesan treasury under the Co-Chairmanship of Mrs. H. T. Lunderssen and Mrs. Ralph P. Smith. Every Branch has been assigned to one of the working committees, and all are looking forward to this resumption of an event which used to be an annual pleasure. Informal "Picnic" style will be emphasized this year, with special plans for outdoor games of all kinds for the chil-

dren, hay-rides and grabs, cold drinks, waffles to order and a delicious picnic supper. There will also be tables for the sale of useful articles, candies, flowers and vegetables and attic treasures and not forgetting—fortune tellers! Sabine Farm can be reached via Penna. R. R. to Ardmore and bus directly to the Farm or by a brief ride in your own car from city or suburbs. The G. F. S. invites all its friends to once again enjoy this afternoon and evening together, eating supper out of doors, walking about the lovely gardens and watching the sunset and quiet twilight in this setting of beauty and peace.

The Holiday House at Cape May, N. J., will re-open its hospitable doors on May 15th for the reception of guests and judging by advance reservations, the season will be a busy and crowded one as usual. The first three weeks in July will be set aside for the Juniors program, when the girls from 10 to 13 years of age "take over" the house. A full program of play, beach sports, handicraft and parties is being prepared by Mrs. Hubert S. Foster assisted by a corps of assistants, a trained recreation leader and a nurse who holds daily health inspection and meets any emergency. From August 9th to 23rd the Teen-Agers will have their special weeks, also under the direction of Mrs. Hubert S. Foster with a day-to-day program mostly of their own devising.

The outstanding event, however, of the 1947 season will undoubtedly be the first Post War G. F. S. Conference for Province III which meets at the House from June 20th to 22nd with Mrs. Edmund B. Wood, Vice President for Province III, in charge. Mrs. John Carroll, Branch Advisor of Holy Apostles and Mediator, G. F. S., will be Conference chairman, and announces the general topic: "The G. F. S. in the Post War World."

The list of speakers is not yet complete, but among those definitely expected are Rev. William H. Jefferys—whose topic will be "Race Relations;" Miss Doris V. Wilson, Field Secretary G. F. S., U. S. A. and Miss Margaret Smythe, long an outstanding leader in this diocese. Delegates are expected from all dioceses in Province III.

The Annual Meeting of Diocesan Council, and triennial Election of Officers will be held Tuesday, May 27th at 4 P. M. at Christ Church Community house, 2nd and Market Streets. Supper will be served 6 P. M., price 75 cents.

The Friendly will again take part in the Diocesan Fete for the Episcopal Hospital on Wednesday, May 28th, dispensing milk and home made ginger bread, under the chairmanship of Mrs. William V. Meehan—St. Nathaniel's Branch.

THE VICARS' CLUB

Several years ago, in the Convocation of North Philadelphia, a Vicars' Club was organized, and has been very successful. It was originally limited to the clergy of North Philadel-

phia, but Vicars of other Convocations are welcome, and a number attend regularly. The club meets for luncheon once a month, the members taking turns in acting as host. The average attendance is ten, and the members are unanimous in holding that the club's continued success is largely due to the fact that there is no business, no paper, and no speaker at the meetings, although the members do talk shop. The club meets a need, since many of the Vicars have little chance to gather socially with other clergy. Any clergy who desire to receive invitations should communicate with the Rev. John Gillespie, the secretary.

JR. CHOIR FESTIVAL PLANNED

A Junior Choir Festival will be held at St. Mark's, Frankford, May 25, 1947, at 3:30 P. M., under the auspices of the Diocesan Commission on Music. The following choirs will participate: St. Bartholomew's, All Saints', Torresdale, St. John the Baptist, St. Nathaneal's, St. Paul's Aramingo, St. Simeon's and St. Mark's, Frankford. The Service will be preceded by an organ recital which begins at 3:10 P. M. The choirs will sing the Magnificat by Maitland, anthems "Children of the Heavenly King," "Spacious Firmament" and "Angels Ever Bright and Fair" by Handel. Also specially selected hymns from the New Hymnal. The Festival has been arranged by Mrs. Anna N. MacGregor, F.A.G.O., Organist and Choir Director of St. Mark's Church, Frankford. The assisting organists will be Messrs. Eric Martin and James Bryan, F.A.G.O.

Mr. LeRoy Miller of the staff of radio station WFIL, was master of ceremonies when the Young People's Fellowship of the Chapel of the Prince of Peace staged "An Evening in Hollywood," on April 18th.

June 1st marks the third anniversary of the Rev. Morris William Derr as Vicar of St. Barnabas Church, 3rd and Dauphin Streets. In three years he has baptised 100 persons.

The Y. P. F. of St. Martin's Church, Marcus Hook, were hosts to the Y. P. F. of St. Paul's Church, Chester, at a supper meeting on Sunday, March 16th. The Rev. George C. Anderson was the speaker.

WHAT A VETERAN WANTS

During the war thousands of our sons and daughters were guided spiritually by the clergy of the Church who gave up their parish work in order that they might administer as chaplains to the members of our Church in the armed forces. The response to the spiritual program was exceptional. The men and women in the armed forces realized as never before that God was a very present help at all times, and in times of danger they put their trust in Him. When they returned to civilian status there seemed to be a change. The Churches, which should be benefitting by the great spiritual experiences, through which these people have passed, are minus of their presence. Some parishes are alarmed about this problem because they feel that the future membership of the Church is at stake. Others are not interested and are only thinking in present terms. A few are anxious to do something about it.

The Veteran has had to go through a period of readjustment since he returned. He is very much the same boy that went away, now accelerated into manhood. He came back to a world which presented him with unemployment, strikes, black markets, lack of place to live and lack of opportunity to achieve the things for which he fought. The Church, which he knows was well represented while he was in the armed forces, seems to have failed him now when he needs it so much as he returns to civilian life. What plan should be used to keep alive those spiritual values which meant so much to him during the time when he was daily facing death?

In most cases you will find him wanting no special place or favors, but just a real feeling that someone is interested in him. The men of the Parish can be of great service in searching out those who have become neglectful of interest in its activities. A personal call will often make all the difference in the world. A job in the Parish will give him something to do and reawaken an interest in those factors which are dear to him, and finally, if the real hand of fellowship were extended to him when he is seen back in the Church he would realize then that some one really cares and is interested in him.

PERCY S. HALL,
Army and Navy Division
National Council

In the Diocese

HENRY STUART PAYNTER, Editor

A provincial conference of representatives from each diocese in the Third Province, arranged by the Presiding Bishop's Committee for Laymen's Work, was held in Philadelphia April 12th and 13th. Emphasis was laid upon work among ex-service men. This diocese was represented by Mr. Henry Beck and Mr. Christopher Wyld.

At the Philadelphia Divinity School a conference of theological students from ten of our Church seminaries was held April 11th-13th. The subject of the conference was "The Church in Industrial Relations and Rural Work."

The Rev. Charles W. Lowry, Ph.D., delivered the Bohlen Lectures at the Philadelphia Divinity School on four Thursdays in April and May on the general subject: "Foundations of Christian Belief."

A Quiet Evening for Women on Saturday, May 24th from 4:30 to 9:00 P.M., will be conducted by the Rev. H. R. Bell at St. Margaret's House, 5419 Germantown Avenue. Please register early with The Sister-in-Charge. Telephone: VICTOR 4-4612.

Dr. Henry P. Brown, Jr., Professor of Surgery at the University of Pennsylvania and chief surgeon at Pennsylvania and Presbyterian Hospitals, has decided to spend the next few years in developing the work of the Church hospital in Kunming, China.

Christ Church Media will celebrate its 90th Anniversary on Trinity Sunday. There have been 15 Rectors; the William J. Alberts has been Rector since 1941. In 1919 there were 290 communicants; today, 540. A daily Nursery School is conducted in the Parish House by Deaconess Brown.

The Rector of St. James Church, Prospect Park tells us that his appeal for a piano in a recent number of THE CHURCH NEWS brought the desired instrument from St. Martin's Church, Marcus Hook.

The sum of \$8,379.80, proceeds of the sale of the old chapel of the House of St. Michael, has been paid over to the Accounting Warden of Calvary Church, 41st and Brown

Streets. This sum is to be held in perpetual trust and the income therefrom is to be used for the general purposes of the church. Calvary Church and the Chapel of St. Michael and All Angels were merged in September, 1945.

Miss Ruth Custis Kitchen, of Holy Trinity Church, Philadelphia has been made chairman of the Missionary Institute Committee of the Philadelphia Council of Churches.

Luncheons for business people are served by the Ladies' Aid of Emmanuel Church, which is located near the business district of Holmesburg. They are held once a month. Proceeds have been used to replenish supplies and equipment in Emmanuel House.

On April 13th Chaplain J. Clemens Kolb, of the University of Pennsylvania, made the address at the dedication of the memorial service cross at the Church of the Epiphany, Sherwood. A plate on the cross bears the names of 118 men and women from the parish who served in the war. The cross is located on the east lawn of the church.

In 1890, says "The Church Review," the Episcopal Church numbered 504,898 communicants; in 1946, 1,540,594, an increase of 300%. In the same period the number of clergy increased from 4,000 to 6,000, or about 50%. The Church is now entering on one of the greatest periods in its long history. There is a decided lack of trained leaders.

At 5 A.M. on Easter Day the Rev. William Hugh Fryer, Rector of the Church of the Trinity, Coatesville, preached the sermon at a sunrise service held in the football stadium of the Scott High School in that community.

St. Giles Church, Stonehurst, and the Stonehurst Hills Methodist Church held union services on Wednesday evenings in Lent. The offerings, amounting to \$160.00, were used to purchase a heifer to be sent abroad through Church World Service.

Mr. Francis L. VanDusen was elected to fill the unexpired term of

Mr. Louis B. Runk, who resigned as a Director of the Church Foundation.

Mr. William Ives Rutter, who is recognized as an authority in the work of the Church Historical Society, is to be given the degree of Doctor of Canon Law by Kenyon College at its commencement on June 16th.

A Pageant of Brides—a fashion show limited to wedding gowns displayed by parishioners, was recently held in the Parish House of St. Paul's Church, Chester.

St. Thomas' Church, Whitemarsh, presented its Easter offering to the Church Farm School.

About 150 men from 20 parishes and missions in the Convocation of Norristown attended a "Quiet Hour" conducted by Bishop Hart at St. John's Church, Norristown, on a Saturday evening in Lent.

The vestry of Calvary Church, Conshohocken, designated half of the Easter offering in that parish for the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief.

The Rev. Charles Lincoln Taylor, Dean of the Episcopal Theological School, Cambridge, Mass, conducted the Three Hour Service on Good Friday at All Saints' Church, Wynnewood.

The Rev. Edward Platts, Vicar of St. James Church, Evansburg, conducted the service at the Sleighton Farm School for Girls on a recent Sunday afternoon.

On March 24th a reception was tendered to the Rev. H. Cresson McHenry, who for 35 years had served as Rector of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, 3rd and Reed Streets.

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and she will direct you to the Librarian.

If you wish to become a sustaining member, your subscription of a dollar a year will be appreciated, to be used toward the purchase of new books, the rebinding of old books, and for other expenses.

Following is a list of new books recently purchased:

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generously and at once. We are urgently requested to have our share by Whitsunday and so we beg all of the clergy to take this matter to their people at once. The Committee office in the Church House is ready to provide material for your use such as sound projectors, operators, speakers and the subject matter to be presented should the rector or vicar of a Church be willing to take this subject to his own people. No one can present the subject as well and as effectively as one's own parson.

REMEMBER, this is not just another appeal but is rather a matter of life and death. **HUNGER WON'T WAIT.**



A girl of Athens is outfitted from clothing sent by American Churches. Episcopal Church members who have helped in material aid programs, clothing drives or contributed to the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief have helped thousands to maintain life and recover hope and faith.

(British Combine Photo)

Justice and the Social Order—Brunner, Emil.
Christ and Man's Dilemma—Buttrick, George A.
English Psalter—Carleton, George D.
The Faith of the Episcopal Church—Damrosch, Frank, Jr.
The Theology of Confirmation in Relation to Baptism—Dix, Gregory.
The Faith of a Protestant—Easton, W. Burnet, Jr.
The Genius of the Prophets—Faus, William Arthur.
The Top of the Mount—Franks, Vincent C.
Christian Perfection—Fenelon, Francois—Presiding Bishop's Book for Lent 1947.
On Being Fit to Live With—Fosdick, Harry Emerson.
The Story of the Faith—Gifford, Wm. Alva.
St. Paul, Apostle and Martyr—Giordani, Igino.
The Eternal Gospel—Heard, Gerald.
The Christian Heritage in America—Hedley, George.
Psychology of Religion—Johnson, Paul E.
The Way—Jones, Stanley E.
The Radiant Life—Jones, Rufus.
The Meaning of Existence—Kean, Charles Duell.
Works of Love—Kierkegaard, Soren.
The Apostolic Ministry, Kirk, K. E.
Prayer: The Mightiest Force in the World—Laubach, Frank.
You Are My Friends—Laubach, Frank.
The Rediscovery of Morals—Link, Henry C.
Collected Papers of Evelyn Underhill—Menzies, Lucy (edited by).
The Anglican Interpretation of the Fourth Commandment—McDermott, R. P.
The World's Ransom—Micklem, E. R.
Christianity and Crisis—Montizambert, Eric.
His Body the Church—Pittenger, W. Norman.
Truths Men Live By—O'Brien, John A.
Preaching Values in the Bible—Roach Corwin C.
The Christian Future—Rosenstock—Huessy, Eugene.
The Idea of Christ in the Gospels—Santayana, George.
Faith Through Reason—Schwartz, Charles and Bertie.
Man and Society in the New Testament—Scott, Ernest F.
The First Epistle of St. Peter—Selwyn, Ed. Gordon.
Religion in America—Sperry, Willard L.
Those of The Way—Sperry, Willard L.
Foundations of Reconstruction—Trueblood, D. Elton.
Christian Global Strategy—Van Kirk, Walter W.

Watch the CHURCH NEWS for new books added to the Library and come in and enjoy them.

Bishop Hart conducted the Three Hour Service on Good Friday at St. Peter's Church, Germantown.

On Low Sunday arrangements were made whereby Christ Church, Media, and Trinity Church, Swarthmore, exchanged services. The plan was to have the congregation stay at home; while the Rector, choir and organist went visiting in the neighboring parish.

THE ARCHBISHOP'S SCRAP BOOK

About 200 newspaper clippings selected from the many such clippings describing and illustrating the visit of the Archbishop of Canterbury to Philadelphia last September, have been gathered together at the request of the Archbishop and forwarded to him through the British Consul in Philadelphia. The clippings were inserted in a specially made scrap book 13 x 16 inches, bound in hand-tooled red leather. The title page reads as follows: "Presented to Geoffrey Francis Fisher, D.D., Lord Archbishop of Canterbury, by the Brotherhood of St. Andrew in the United States in grateful appreciation of his first visit to America, September 17th-20th, 1946."

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The Rev. Elbert K. St. Claire, in addition to his duties as Chaplain at the Episcopal Academy, is also assisting the Rev. Gibson Bell, Rector of All Saints' Church, Wynnewood.

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CHARLES H. LONG, JR., PRIESTED IN CHINA

Acting for the Bishop of Pennsylvania, the Rt. Rev. T. Arnold Scott, English Bishop of North China, advanced the Rev. Charles H. Long, Jr., to the Priesthood on Sunday, February 23rd, 1947, at 7:30 A. M.



The candidate is the son of the Executive Secretary of the Diocese of Pennsylvania. He is to work under Bishop Roberts of Shanghai, and is at present in residence at the College of Chinese Studies in Peiping. He was ordained in the Peiping Cathedral. The service was entirely in the Chinese language. The ordaining Bishop presented him with a Chinese Bible, as well as the Bible sent for the occasion by Bishop Hart. The stole worn was a red one which previously belonged to his father. All the clergy of the district were in attendance and the simple music was sung by 200 voices without instrumental accompaniment. Here was an American clergyman, being ordained by an English bishop, for work in the Chinese Church.

PRESIDING BISHOP AT COLLEGE LUNCHEON

Over 200 alumnae and friends of Church colleges attended a luncheon at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel on March 28th. Bishop Hart presided and introduced the following representatives of four Church colleges: Hobart, the Rt. Rev. B. H. Reinheimer; Kenyon, Gordon K. Chalmers; Trinity, G. Keith Funston; University of the South, Alexander Guerry.

The Most Rev. Henry Knox Sherrill, Presiding Bishop, made the

principal address, stressing the importance of spiritual background in education. He said: "The supreme difficulty we confront is that men have lost their hold upon what may be described as the life of the Spirit. The Church college has its great opportunity to rise to the need presented by the world crisis. It may act as example, as stimulus, as a proof of our conviction that Christ and His truth are vital in every field of life. The trend of the times has converted me to the necessity of the Church College. I commend these colleges to the earnest and generous attention of our Church people. Let us see that they have the means to be true centers of light and learning."

DEGREES CONFERRED

"The great need of the Church today is to have the right men in positions of leadership," so said Presiding Bishop Sherrill on March 28, 1947, at the Special Convocation at The Philadelphia Divinity School. "It is not enough to say that the Church needs many more men in the ministry. What is needed most of all is to have the right men who are qualified by spirit and training to enable the Church to meet the challenge of this critical time." The Presiding Bishop gave a number of instances of effective work done in difficult circumstances with the right kind of leadership provided. He emphasized the responsibility of the laity to support the seminaries in their great task of training men for the ministry.

At the Special Convocation the Rt. Rev. Oliver J. Hart, D.D., LL.D., S.T.D., Bishop of Pennsylvania, and President of the Board of Trustees of the Philadelphia Divinity School, conferred the degree of Doctor of Sacred Theology, honoris causa, upon the Presiding Bishop, who was elected to his office last September in the Chapel of Philadelphia Divinity School. The degree of Doctor of Divinity, honoris causa, in absentia, was conferred upon the Rt. Rev. Robert Franklin Wilner, Bishop Suffragan of the Philippine Islands. The Rev. Timothy Woodward, Rector of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Pitman, N. J., who had served in the Philippines and knew Bishop Wilner, was present to receive the diploma and the hood. The degree of Doctor of Divinity, honoris causa, was conferred upon

the Rt. Rev. John Zenon Jasinski of the Polish National Catholic Church, and upon The Rt. Rev. Alfred Lothian Banyard, Bishop Suffragan of New Jersey. With the exception of the Presiding Bishop, all those who received degrees have been students at The Divinity School.

EPISCOPAL ACADEMY NOTES

The Fifteenth Biennial Hobby Show was the highlight of the month at the Episcopal Academy. There were more than two hundred exhibits ranging from stamps to aerial prospecting. The handicraft exhibits were outstanding, as was the art which included the paintings of Richard Chew, winner of the Regional Scholastic Award and thus an entrant in the National Scholastic Contest. Each hobby represents an avocation of the student encouraged by a Master who may likely be a specialist in that field. Hobbies, or Club Periods as they are called, are a regular part of the Academy Curriculum and are designed to develop each boy's interest and originality.

The American History Classes made their first visit to Washington, D. C. since 1941. The two day trip was climaxed by a visit to the National Cathedral in a tour conducted by Dr. Albert Lucas, Headmaster of St. Alban's School, formerly Chaplain and Assistant Headmaster at Episcopal Academy.

The Campaign for the Red Cross yielded \$472.15, and an additional \$102.75 for the work of the Junior Red Cross. The Academy has also contributed \$300 for World Relief, by way of a weekly Lenten collection. This money has been divided between the World Student Service Fund and the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief. An additional five cartons of clothing has also been sent abroad. The needs for this program are so vital that the boys have prolonged the campaign.

The Student Vestry recently visited St. Mary's Hall, Burlington, N. J. Henderson Supplee, III, Warden, read the Scripture Lesson at their Sunday Vespers. The Rev. Elbert K. St. Claire, Academy Chaplain, preached.

Chapel Speakers at the Academy recently have been the Rev. J. G. Armstrong, Rector of St. Mary's Church, Ardmore; the Rev. R. S.

Clements, Pastor of the Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church, the Rev. W. R. McKean, Rector of St. Matthew's Church, Philadelphia; and the Rev. E. F. Kloman, Rector of Christ Church, Philadelphia.

The Annual Academy Service was held at the Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr, Sunday, April 27th at 4 P.M. The Rev. Charles W. Sheerin, Rector of the Church of the Epiphany, Washington, D. C., was the preacher. All members of the Academy Family—Trustees, Faculty, Students, Parents, and Alumni gather together for this impressive corporate worship service.

John Hentz is the winner of the Regional Scholastic Indoor Tennis Tournament held at Swarthmore. This is the second year running that an Academy boy has had this distinction.

HEALING MISSION AT ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH

The Rev. John Gayner Banks conducted a healing mission at St. Stephen's Church, 10th Street, from March 16th to 20th. He preached at the 11 A.M. and 7:30 P.M. Services on Sunday, and at 10:30 A.M. and 7:30 P.M. each week-day. Dr. Banks is the Director of the Fellowship of St. Luke (Church Society for the promotion of Divine Healing) with headquarters in San Diego, California. He is the author of several books and the editor of "Sharing," a monthly magazine devoted to Healing and the Spiritual Life. The purpose of this Mission was to offer to all peoples in the Name of Christ and His Church the healing power of GOD. It complements the best medical advice which each may receive. The power of the Healing Christ has always been latent in the Church. Never have more people been in need of this strength for body, mind and spirit than today. For the past five years services of Spiritual Healing have been held regularly every Thursday at 12:30 P.M. in St. Stephen's Church, at which time the Rector preaches on the subject of healing, individual prayers of thanksgiving and petitions are presented at the Altar, and an invitation is given to those who are troubled in mind, body or spirit to come to the Altar Rail to receive the Laying-on of Hands with prayer. Intercession cards may be found on the table in the vestibule for those desiring prayers for the recovery of a sick person.

COUNCIL OF CHURCHES PURPOSES OUTLINED

The Philadelphia Council of Churches should have the moral and financial support of our people. It has representatives on its Board of Directors appointed by our own Bishop in addition to representatives from fourteen other denominations. It was organized over a year ago as a result of the merger of three interdenominational agencies: The Woman's Interdenominational Union of Philadelphia and Vicinity, the Philadelphia Federation of Churches and The Philadelphia Sunday School Council of Christian Education. It is supported by hundreds of active members and 400 churches of different denominations. It is concerned primarily with the extension of the Kingdom of God. It maintains six radio programs and for teaching purposes has available the latest religious films. It is engaged in teaching church workers and parents in Christian living both at home and in the church. There are 634 state and local Councils of Churches in the United States who are concerned with Evangelical Christianity and wish to work in harmony and unity. Ours is one of them. This Council has trained, experienced and enthusiastic leaders and an efficient staff in the office located in the Y. M. C. A. Building, 1421 Arch Street, Philadelphia 2, Pa.

Surely this Council of Churches is entitled to your prayers, your support and your hearty cooperation.

PERCIVAL H. GRANGER.

Editor's Note: Dr. Thomas S. Gates is a Vice President of the Philadelphia Council of Churches. Others serving as the Bishop's appointees to the Council include the Rev. Messrs. Percy R. Stockman, Philemon F. Sturges, and Charles H. Long. Mrs. Marmaduke Tilden, Mrs. Welsh Strawbridge, Mr. Albert J. Nesbitt, Mr. Thomas B. K. Ringe, as well as Mr. Granger.

BROTHERHOOD ELECTS PA. MEN

At the latest meeting of the National Council of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Mr. Henry C. Beck was elected National Secretary of the Brotherhood. He is also Diocesan president and a member of the National Council from Pennsylvania. Other Council members from this Diocese are Mr. Percival H. Granger and Mr. S. Wyman Rolph.

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Mrs. Mary K. Ringwalt, who died March 26th, left \$1,000 to St. Paul's Church, 15th and Porter Streets.

The Episcopal Hospital was named as a beneficiary in the will of Miss Annie Whitaker, who died last June.

On Palm Sunday a Chinese national flag was presented to the Church of the Advocate, 18th and Diamond Streets by the Chinese officers who have been worshipping there. May 25th a memorial service for American Legion and Purple Heart organizations will be held at 11 A.M. The Convocation of North Philadelphia met there on May 13th.

Announcement was made recently by Bishop Hart that an anonymous gift of \$75,000 had been made to the Episcopal Hospital by a member of the diocese, to be used for current expenses.

A new Altar Service Book has been given to the Chapel of the Prince of Peace in memory of Mr. Charles W. Johnson.

St. Paul's Church, Chester, has recently been presented with two five-branch candelabra in memory of Captain William G. Randle and his wife, Hanna B. Randle. Captain Randle was a vestryman in this parish for forty years, ten of which he served as Rector's Warden.

Mr. Philip H. Brice, who died in 1936, left the sum of \$5,000 to St. Mark's Church, Locust near 16th Street.

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A bequest of \$10,000 was made to the Seamen's Church Institute under the will of Mrs. Alba B. Johnson, who died in 1944 at Rosemont.

IN THE DIOCESE

(Continued from page 8)

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Bishop Hart preached at the Chapel Service in Packard Memorial Church, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa., April 23rd.

The Vicar's Committee of St. George's Church, Ardmore, has turned over to Bishop Hart \$1,000 of the income from endowments of St. George's to be used for theological education in the Diocese.

Miss Katherine Lever, daughter of the Rev. John H. Lever, Rector of St. John's Free Church, Kensington, has been appointed a Dean at Wellesley College, where she has been assistant professor of English. She is a graduate of Swarthmore College, and holds M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Bryn Mawr.

Recent events at the Church of the Atonement, Morton, included a reception tendered to the Rev. William A. Powel and family; a concert, sponsored by the choir to raise funds for vestments; a confirmation service with 20 candidates; and the observance of the Vicar's birthday with the presentation of a cake. The Choir Association has made a nice commission to apply on the cost of new vestments by soliciting subscriptions to THE CHURCH NEWS. So far they have secured 28 new subscribers.

RESOLUTION: REV. T. LESLIE GOSSLING

WHEREAS, T. Leslie Gossling, having served in the Ministry of this Church for 34 years, and within this Convocation for one year, died suddenly on October 29, 1945;

AND WHEREAS, during those years, he has served the Church faithfully and well, and has been a true minister of God and a disciple of Jesus Christ, and during his many years proven himself, not only to be a Pastor of his Church, but also a friend to those who called upon him, and an earnest worker in the Church within which he served;

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the members of the Convocation of Germantown, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, for ourselves, and on behalf of the entire Diocese humbly acknowledging the dictates of the Divine Will, bereaved in our loss, but thankful for the time during which we were blessed in having the Rev. T. Leslie Gossling with us, and with the firm conviction that his spirit will be with us in all our undertakings, do hereby

RESOLVE: That upon the death of the Rev. T. Leslie Gossling, our Convocation and the whole Church has lost not only his services, within the Convocation, but also those of a friend, and that the memory of his life and the things for which he stood will always be an inspiration for us.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That our sympathies be extended to his widow.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of this Resolution be sent to Mrs. Gossling.

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In a recent case testatrix bequeathed one-half of her residuary estate to the Diocese and one-half to her Parish church, and died three days after the execution of her will. The bequests were held void and her intention frustrated, because thirty days had not elapsed between the making of her will and the date of her decease.

BOOK REVIEW

"LIGHTS AND SHADOWS OF THE SACRED MINISTRY" by The Reverend Archibald Campbell Knowles, D.D. Published by Holy Cross Press, \$2.50.

Here is a book with which almost everyone who reads it will take some violent exception. The author has had an almost unique experience in that he has spent his entire ministry in one parish. One cannot but feel that a more varied experience with the problems of different parishes might have made this a more valuable work.

Fewer pontifical pronouncements such as "The Church is not a democracy, but a kingdom" (p. 111); "The priest should be an optimist with a smile on his face and determination in his heart" (p. 11), and "Written sermons should be avoided. In the last analysis they are nothing but essays" (p. 79) would have made the book less irritating—at least to this reviewer.

However the book is the fervent testimony of a devout priest and a militant "elder statesman" of the Church. As such it will be read with interest.

W. J. A.

IN GOD'S KEEPING

Mrs. Mary Stocker Knowles, wife of the Rev. Archibald Campbell Knowles, Rector of St. Alban's Church, Olney, died March 17th at her home in Germantown. Burial service was held in the Church on March 20, with interment at the Church of St. James the Less.

Mr. John H. Gosling, a life-long member of St. Mark's Church, Frankford, who died March 2nd, had been a member of the

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vestry for 23 years, and was Rector's Warden at the time of his death. He had been deputy to Diocesan Convention, a member of the Department of Missions of the Executive Council, and active in the Convocation of Germantown.

Mr. William Hardy, for ten years a vestryman at St. Simeon's Church, and sometime a member of the choir, died on March 8 and was buried from the Church on March 11.

Mrs. Walter Carr (Lucretia Mason), long an active worker at St. Mary's Church, Ardmore, and a member of the Board of Directors of the Churchwoman's Club, died on March 16th, following a brief illness. Burial service was held at St. Mary's Church on March 17th. Interment was in St. Louis, Mo., where she was born.

The Rt. Rev. James DeWolf Perry, former Bishop of Rhode Island and Presiding Bishop from 1930 to 1938, died in Sommerville, S. C. on March 20th. He was born in Germantown, where his father was rector of Calvary Church; attended Germantown Academy and the University of Pennsylvania. Burial services were held at the Cathedral of St. John, Providence, on March 24th, when the Presiding Bishop officiated. Bishop Perry is survived by his widow and two sons: Rev. DeWolf Perry, Jr., rector of St. John's Church, Newtonville, Mass.; and John Weir Perry, M.D., of Cambridge, Mass.

Mr. Stanley H. Howard died at his home in Overbrook on March 28th, aged 60 years. At various times he had served as organist at St. Martin's Church, Radnor, St. Andrew's Church, 36th and Baring Streets, and St. Paul's Church, Chester.

Mrs. Bessie Butler VanHarlingen, widow of Dr. Arthur VanHarlingen, formerly of Rosemont, died at Cedar Grove, N. J., on April 18th, aged 90 years. She had been a leader in Mission Study work in the Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary, national treasurer of St. Barnabas Guild of Nurses and active in local parishes and missions.

CLERICAL CHANGES

The Rev. T. Norman Mason, formerly Rector of the Church of the Good Samaritan, Paoli, has become Vicar of the Church of the Redeemer, Springfield.

The Rev. Robert P. Frazier has resigned as Rector of St. Giles Church, Stonehurst, and will become a missionary among Indians in Arizona on September 1st.

The Rev. Vernon Matthews was instituted as Rector of the Church of St. John the Evangelist, 3rd and Reed Streets, by Bishop Hart on April 16th. He succeeds the Rev. H. Cresson McHenry, who served this parish for about thirty-five years.

The Rev. John Grimstead, a clergyman of the Church of England is curate at St. Peter's Church, 3rd and Pine Streets and Vicar of the Chapel of the Transfiguration, 7th and Bigler Streets.

The Rev. Andrew Wm. Mayer, Rector of Immanuel Church, Glencoe, Md., will become Rector of All Saints' Church, Crescentville, on June 1st.

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